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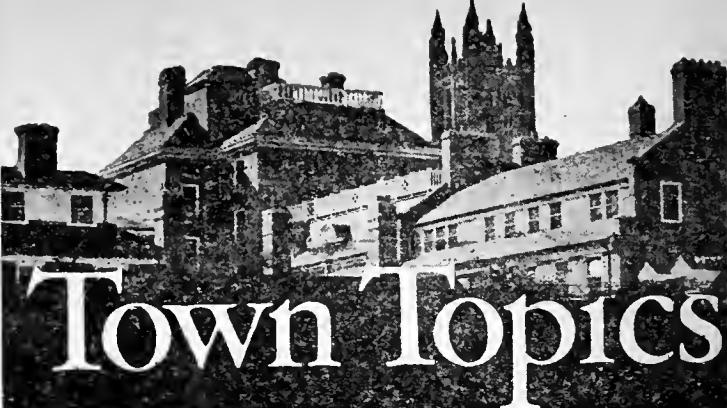
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James Douglas Brown, Princeton University's self-styled "Green Dean," who on the threshold of his second year as Dean of the Faculty is confronted with the responsibilities of supervising Old Nassau's new Divisional Plan of Study which may well be one of the significant developments of the century in the sphere of higher education. A 49-year old devotee of the philosophy of always seeking to approach things from a more perfect way, Brown has the sense of vision and purpose needed in uprooting the haphazard and unguided elements in a Princeton undergraduate's education.

Holding three Princeton degrees, Brown has successfully refuted the often-voiced complaint that the gap between academic learning and practical living cannot be effectively bridged. Since 1926 he has directed the University's obscurity-loving Industrial Relations Section, nationally recognized as the most solid research bureau of its kind and now drawing support from both labor and management. Next month, just before a record-breaking horde of 3,600 students descends upon the campus, the "Green Dean" will conduct at the Graduate College his Section's annual conference for a select handful of union and company policy-makers.

Brown is frequently tapped for help by Federal and State officials. In 1930-31 he was a member of President Hoover's Emergency Committee for Employment and later, with the New Deal in the saddle, was one of the architects for the ever-growing pyramid of social security legislation. His pre-war efforts in planning labor's role in defense production were logically followed by his appointment during World War II as Special Consultant on Manpower in the Secretary of War's office and as alternate to the War Department's representative on the War Manpower Commission.

Reminiscing back to 1919, when he returned to Princeton after two years overseas with the A.E.F., Brown recalls, in considering veterans' adjustment to university life: "Our problems were much the same then as those existing now." He went on to earn Phi Beta Kappa laurels and with the exception of two years at New York University and a year at the University of Pennsylvania, has since remained in his alma mater's service, translating into action his conviction that the "University's task is to search for the frontiers of knowledge and for men to explore these fields of knowledge."

For his continuing, invaluable contributions to the "science" of labor economics; for personifying in whatever he undertakes the Wilsonian precept, "We are not put into this world to sit still and know, we are put here to act"; for his contagious faith in democracy's ability to ride out the squalls kicked up by post-war uncertainties; he is TOWN TOPICS' nominee for

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**Progress toward Housing.** In a nation beset with pressure groups of all kinds, few seekers of a specific goal win popular support. Their membership is indistinguishable from other groups, achievement of their aims may be to the detriment of others, their chant too often smites the ears of their fellow citizens with the shrill notes of another "me, too" chorus. But this week in Princeton, a group that was distinguished to the extent that only men who have fought for their country can be, took the first steps to gain an end as valuable to the community as it was altruistic.

Representatives of the four veterans' organizations (two Legion posts, the VFW, the AVC) went to the Township Committee Monday night, asked for specific answers to some specific questions: Does the committee agree that there is a serious shortage of low-cost housing in Princeton? Does the committee agree that the gravity of the problem makes borough-township cooperation absolutely necessary, and is joint planning to solve the problem feasible? Finally, will the township appoint a housing committee?

Although the veterans will wait a month—until the Township Committee meets again—for their answers, their campaign for one or more low-cost housing projects will not lie dormant until mid-September. Next week, when they confer with the Housing Authority, they will present its members with a list of ten sites in the borough suitable in size and location for the type of \$45-a-month units they favor.

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Although at mid-week one or two games remained to be played in the regular schedule, it was likely that Livingston Park would finish first, with Walker-Gordon in the runner-up slot, the locals third, Monmouth Junction fourth. Under the widely-used Shaughnessy system, Princeton will face the second-place milkmen, while the first and fourth-place entries battle it out. The survivors then meet for the 1947 title.

Dick Anderson came up with a neat 6-0 shutout over Cranbury to end Princeton's regular season Monday night. Although Tom Brophy admits that sometimes the only way Tigertown players can tell a pitcher from an infielder on their team is to see him toiling away on the mound, Anderson's whitewashing of Cranbury proved what control can do when the chips are down. Nick Ross weighed in with two timely blows when runners were abroad and Jack Sweeney hit for the circuit with no one on.

The exact schedule for the playoffs has not yet been determined, but Princeton expects to begin its series away from home early next week. Full details meanwhile may be obtained from

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A spokesman for the veterans commented: "We hope the Housing Authority will indicate why each specific site cannot be acquired. If this is done, we can think of no better proof for the Township Committee that land must come from that municipality."

By week's end, creation of a township housing committee (first discussed a decade ago) seemed a likelihood within a month. If the veterans saw that committee study and act only on the need within its own municipality, they would have much with which to be satisfied. But as they pointed out in their statement last week and reiterated Monday night, borough-township cooperation may well be an absolute necessity.

**Miscellany.** Mrs. Frances T. Hulit, 28 Chambers Street, and Ellery F. Calkins, Cedar Grove Road, were involved in separate automobile accidents Saturday and Monday at the intersection of Elm Road and Cleveland Lane . . . neither required medical assistance although the car in which Calkins was riding was hit by a truck and turned over.

Sons have been born at Princeton Hospital to Mr. & Mrs. John Cruser, 8 Charlton; Mr. & Mrs. H. C. Fleming, 218 A. Harrison; Mr. & Mrs. Albert Toto, 92 Witherspoon; daughters to Mr. & Mrs. Arthur D. Hay, 120 Prospect, and Mr. & Mrs. Maurice Mather, 214 Moore . . . also at Princeton Hospital.

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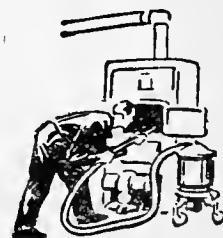
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### Sunday, August 17th

7:00, 8:30, 10:00 and 11:00 a.m.: Mass, St. Paul's Roman Catholic Church.  
 11:00 a.m.: Sermon, the Rev. Charles Marker, pastor of White Horse Methodist Church; Princeton Methodist Church.  
 Sermon, the Rev. Victor B. Stanley, Jr.; Trinity Episcopal Church.  
 "World Christianity," the Rev. Dr. William L. Tucker; Union Service for First and Second Presbyterian Churches; First Church.  
 "Christ, Our Great Physician," the Rev. Milton J. Knauss, Princeton Lutheran Church; Chapel, Westminster Choir College.  
 "Soul," Lesson-Sermon; First Church of Christ, Scientist.  
 Friends Service of Worship; Murray-Dodge Hall, University Campus  
 12:00 noon: Monthly collection of scrap paper by Charles W. Robinson Post No. 218, American Legion.  
 8:15 p.m.: Evening Service; First Church of Christ, Scientist.

### Monday, August 18th

8:30 p.m.: Free, Open-Air Movies, Princeton High School.

### Tuesday, August 19th

2:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.: Tuberculosis Clinic, Princeton Hospital.  
 8:00 p.m.: August meeting of Borough Council; Borough Hall.

### Thursday, August 21st

9:00 p.m.: Block Dance, Princeton High School.

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## News of the Theatres

### The Playhouse

I Wonder Who's Kissing Her Now (Fri., Sat.) is the life story of Joe Howard, vaudevillian and song writer. In color and relatively tuneful but very slow. With June Haver, Mark Stevens.

The Bachelor and the Bobby Soxer (Sun, thru Wed.) derives most of its entertainment from the fact that Myrna Loy as a judge sentences Cary Grant, who's been involved in a minor scrape, to keep company with her younger sister (Shirley Temple). Further comedy is also supplied by Rudy Vallee. Full of whimsy, some of it foolish, but fairly funny.

Cry Wolf (Thurs., Fri., Sat.) sends Errol Flynn and Barbara Stanwyck through a routine horror film that tells of the widow of a rich young man who goes to collect her estate, finds his family mansion jam-packed with lunatics.

### Garden Theatre

The Slave Girl (Fri., Sat.) offers Yvonne DeCarlo and Broderick Crawford in a picture that spends its time spoofing the sort of production that dreams up impossible adventures for harem beauties and dashing young men in a Technicolored world. A film, for instance, like

Song of Scheherazade (Mon., Tues., Wed.) which also stars Miss DeCarlo in a Technicolored extravaganza of desert love, is no better than the picture that pokes fun at it.

Moss Rose (Thurs., Fri., Sat.) takes its title from the killer it portrays whose profession was murdering pretty girls and leaving such a flower on an open Bible next to their bodies. Victor Mature, blond Peggy Cummins and Ethel Barrymore in a mild-mannered whodunit.

### The McCarter

This weekend, Zasu Pitts in "The Late Christopher Bean." Next week, the world premiere of "Horace," a comedy written by Harold Kennedy, with Nancy Walker, Robert Alda. The advance publicity doesn't say what it's about but indicates it may open on Broadway this Fall.

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**Random Notes.** Princeton is well represented in preparations for the 1948 Olympics: Asa Bushnell, who directs the Eastern College Athletic Conference, is secretary of the executive committee; Dick Vaughan is secretary of the sub-committee on ice hockey; Gordon Sikes is treasurer of the sub-committee on rowing; and Howie Stepp is a member of the sub-committee on swimming.

Hockey, incidentally, will make its appearance again on the Princeton campus next winter for the first time since 1942 . . . reconversion of Baker Rink is under way and the informal aggregation which practiced on the Dean Mathey's pond and played all its games on the road will rejoin the Pentagonal Hockey League.

Football practice, scheduled for September 3, is only a little more than two weeks away . . . of the first four games (Brown, Rutgers, Colgate, Cornell) the clash with the Scarlet at New Brunswick is figured to be the toughest hurdle . . . playing at home, the Icarian eleven may lose much of the jitters it invariably encounters on Palmer Stadium turf . . . that very nervousness and lack of team play was a major factor in the Tigers' 14-7 win last Fall, the same Rutgers squad going to Cambridge later to conquer a Harvard eleven that had clearly outplayed the Orange and Black.

Pre-season prediction: if Charlie Caldwell's eleven tops Rutgers, it may well go through its first four games this year unbeaten. After that . . . ? Boy, bring me the schedule . . . let's see . . . November 2, Pennsylvania at Princeton, it says here.

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All three sons of Patrolman and Mrs. James Hennon of 36 Bank Street are currently serving as life guards: Tom, just out of Princeton High, in a summer job at Point Pleasant, Jim and Jack half a world away in a G.I. rest camp at Marine Island on the coast of Japan . . . the latter are both T/5's in the Army Signal Corps, currently on detached service.

Mrs. Elizabeth Krieger of Maple Street, a member of the auxiliary unit of Princeton Post No. 76, has been elected president of the Mercer County Auxiliary, with Mrs. Dorothy MacDonald of Murray Place as secretary . . . Ernest F. Drake of Williams Street is finance officer of the Legion's county committee for the eighth straight year. . . . Mrs. Agnes Cook has been named by Thistle Lodge No. 220, Daughters of Scotia, as delegate to the Daughters' national convention in San Francisco next month.

Lion President Joseph J. Redding, who attended the Lions' international convention in that same city this Summer, is due back this week for the postponed August borough council meeting scheduled for Tuesday night . . . the ordinance to construct a street through the center of Greenholm is set for passage on final reading, with many a Princetonian peering into 1948 to see what the coming change in administration will do to the project.

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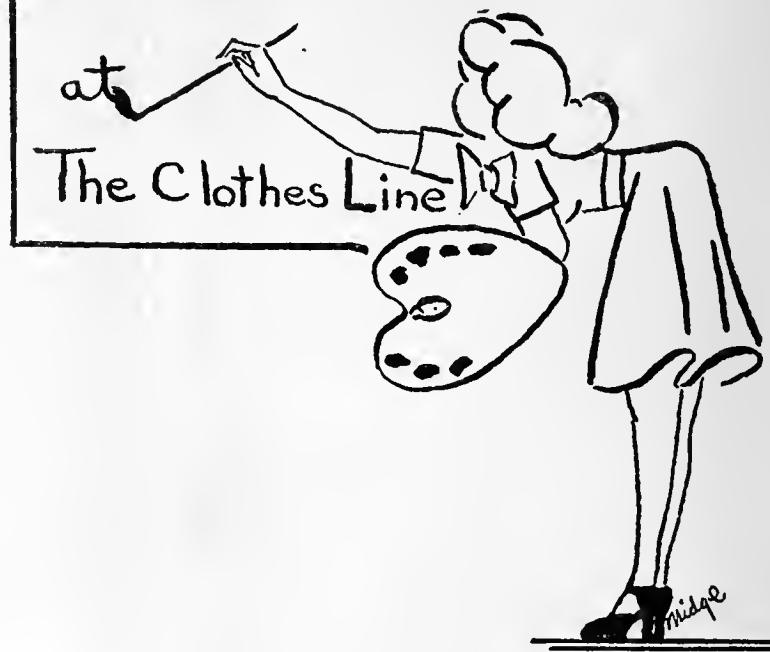
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